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A brief summary of important City Council updates discussed during the January 8, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting are provided below.

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Recognition of Mike Hedrick and Homayoun Behboodi for Their Service to the City of Hermosa Beach

– Two Public Works employees, Mike Hedrick and Homayoun Behboodi ended their long-standing careers serving the City of Hermosa Beach.

Mr. Hedrick joined the City in 1983 serving the community for 35 years. He began working in the building maintenance section and transferred to street maintenance division in 1994. In 2006, he was promoted to crew supervisor of the street maintenance division.

Mr. Behboodi joined the City in 1990 serving the community for 28 years. During his tenure, he was the lead project manager for a variety of capital improvement projects including the North Pier Avenue Parking Structure also known as Lot C and was responsible for the Storm water compliance permit until 2014.

The City of Hermosa Beach would like to thank Mike and Homayoun for their dedicated service to the community and wish them well in their retirement!



Proclamation Retro-Actively Recognizing November 16, 2018 as the Day of Tolerance in Hermosa Beach – Hermosa Beach City Council retro-actively recognized November 16, 2018 as the International Day of Tolerance to educate the community regarding diversity, equality and the notion of living in peace among those from various ethnic, social, cultural and religious backgrounds.



City Manager Report

Updates to the City of Hermosa Beach Agenda Preparation Process – The City Manager's office has identified some areas of improvement in the development and distribution of agenda materials which once implemented, will increase the efficiency in which the agenda preparation is completed.

1. Printed agenda packets currently are made available for Council, staff, and at a variety of satellite locations. Due to increase in detail and attachments of agenda packets, copies of the agenda will be available in the Council Chamber foyer and the clerk's office. With the increased use of the website,



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it has been noted that the public accesses the agenda online more frequently than the printed materials. In addition, the City will continue to utilize the Public E-Comment function via the City's website and encourages the public to continue to utilize the component of the agenda public engagement. The City Manager's office has also begun to place a biweekly update on the homepage of the website providing City Council meeting updates. Also, the final set of City Council meeting minutes will come before Council for approval to close out the two-year backlog of meeting minutes.

2. **Public Comment Process** – Starting at the January 8, 2019 City Council meeting, a new process is utilized for public comment. All speakers will be asked to fill out a speaker comment card which can be found in the chamber foyer and on the table next to the camera room. Completed speaker cards should be turned into the staff liaison who will ensure the Clerk's office will receive it for public records purposes. If a member of the community does not wish to speak to the Council but would like their comment to be part of the public record and provided to City Council, speaker comment cards are to be completed and turned in to the staff liaison who will submit the card accordingly.

Infiltration Project Update – Staff is working to schedule the second meeting of the subcommittee between Redondo Beach and Hermosa Beach to consider a more equitable option for the site of the infiltration project. In addition, the City of Hermosa Beach received a breach of agreement notice from the State Water Resources Control Board. Staff is working to comply with the requirements listed in the notice which must be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board by February 28, 2019.

North School Environmental Impact Report – The Hermosa Beach School District released the final environmental impact report (EIR) for the North School construction project on December 28, 2018 with the goal of approving the final EIR at the school board meeting on January 9, 2019. Although this is a school district project, there are components such as utility infrastructure, public right-of-way and traffic measures that the school district and City will need to collaborate on to develop solutions to mitigate the impacts. The City submitted a comment letter to the School District in September of 2018 outlining concerns regarding the EIR and the need to develop appropriate solutions. City staff reviewed the final 900-page EIR and will submit a comment letter to City Council and the School District on January 9, 2019 reiterating continued concerns and the need for collaborative solutions to mitigate the impacts of the North School project.

Consent Ordinance No. 18-1389 – Updating Chapter 5.78 of the Hermosa Beach Municipal Code to Address the Licensure of Tobacco Retailers and Limiting the Sale of Tobacco Products – City Council approved an ordinance amending the Hermosa Beach Municipal Code requiring local tobacco retailers to purchase an annual business license to continue to sell tobacco products. The ordinance becomes effective June 1, 2019. Council further directed staff to return with an amendment to the ordinance to remove the exception of flavored tobacco product sales for tobacco retailers who prohibit patrons under 21 years of age into their establishments.

Public Hearing: Consideration of an Ordinance to Allow and Regulate Wireless Communication Facilities in the Public Right-of-Way (Continued from meeting of September 25, 2018) – City Council approved the first reading of the Ordinance to allow and regulate wireless communication facilities in the Public Right-of-Way and noted the ordinance is not subject to the Environmental Quality Act. In addition, staff was directed to return with design standards as a separate ordinance, to return with an updated master fee



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schedule to include application and penalty fees and to return with a master license agreement with a standard lease rate for use of any public property for these facilities. The approved ordinance will include amendment to Chapter 12.18 Condition 28 which will state that the permittee shall remove all non-operational equipment when installing new permitted equipment.

Adoption of Resolution Approving the Allocation of Approximately \$71,298 of Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds for Sidewalk Curb Ramps, Authorizing Use of CDBG Funds for Contractors, and Granting the Public Works Director Authority to Submit a Notice of Completion

– City Council approved the allocation of Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to complete the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) sidewalk ramp project for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. In addition, CDBG funds will be utilized to hire a construction contractor and a contract/labor compliance officer to provide oversight to the project related services for CDBG implementation.

Approval to Implement the Vendini Online Ticketing Service for the Community Theater and 2nd Story Theater; And Resolution Establishing A Per Ticket Service Fee and Setup Fee for Its Use by Renters of the Community Theater and 2nd Story Theater Facilities – Vendini online ticketing service was approved by the City Council for a three-year agreement, which allows all theater renters to voluntarily utilize a standard online ticketing system for ticket sales. The goal of the system is to provide a common platform for theater ticket sales and provide the community, renters and staff with an enhanced customer experience related to theater operations.

Appointment of City Representative to the Los Angeles County West Vector and Vector-Borne Control District Board – City Council appointed resident James Fasola to represent the City of Hermosa Beach on the Los Angeles County West Vector and Vector-Borne Control District Board for a two-year term - January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2020.

Consideration of Appointing a City Council Representative to Serve on the New KHHR Communities Network Committee – A standing Committee Created by the City of Hawthorne to Address Hawthorne Municipal Airport Noise Impact – City Council appointed Mayor Stacey Armato to serve as the City's representative on the KHHR Communities Network Committee and appointed Mayor Pro Tem Mary Campbell as the alternate representative.

FUTURE TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEM REQUEST:

Councilmember Duclos requested an honorary sign that is compatible with city signage to be developed and installed at the bike path entryway into Hermosa Beach in honor of Mr. Julian Katz. The city attorney has instructed staff to develop a resolution to be brought before Council designating the specific bike route and direct staff to install the appropriate signage to honor Mr. Katz.

Councilmember Massey would like to continue to the implementation of the Capital Improvement Project related to the Bicycle Master Plan as an additional way to honor Mr. Katz.

Mayor Pro Tem Campbell requested a review of the pending future agenda item list and discuss how the list is prioritized at the upcoming Council retreat.



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The Mayor adjourned the meeting in memory of Naoma Valdes, a long-time resident of Hermosa Beach and previous Deputy City Clerk who passed away on January 2nd. More than a decade before Valdes took a position in the municipal government, she played a vocal role in a city campaign to buy what is now the Hermosa Playhouse and Community Center at Pier Avenue and Pacific Coast Highway from the City School District. Naoma was a founding member of Friends of the Library, a member of the Hermosa Beach Historical Society, attended the first sister city trip to Loreto, Mexico and helped found the Hermosa Beach Coordinating Council. She was married to former Mayor and Councilmember Al Valdes for 57 years. Naoma also mentored many in the community who got involved in local politics e.g. Chip Post, Lance Widman, Mary Tyson, Hank Doerfling, George Schmeltzer and others. She will be greatly missed.

CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A JOINT STUDY SESSION WITH THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ADVISORY COMMISSION TO DISCUSS THE ROLE OF THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON THE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019.

Questions or comments? Contact the Assistant to the City Manager Nico De Anda-Scaia Monday through Thursday, 7AM – 6PM at (310) 318-0201 or via email at ndeanda@hermosabch.org

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